

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 WASHINGTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02108

AREA	FORM NO.
R	526



City Lexington

Address 6 Moon Hill Road

Historic Name Fletcher Ashley
House

Present residential

Original residential

DESCRIPTION:

Year 1950

Source deeds

Style International Style

Architect Richard S. Morehouse

Exterior wall fabric vertical wood siding

Outbuildings storage shed

Major alterations (with dates) _____

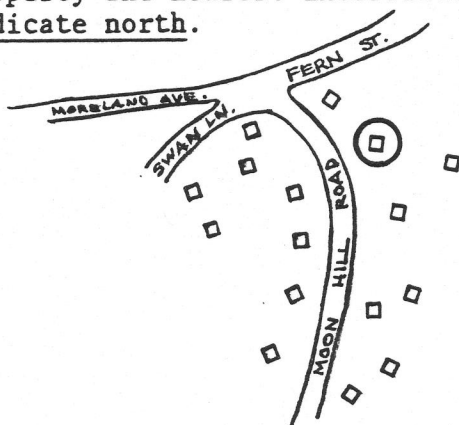
Moved _____ Date _____

Approx. acreage 23470 ft.²

Setting In community of architect-
designed contemporary homes; on quiet
street serving only this neighborhood.

SKETCH MAP

Show property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection. Indicate north.



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Organization Lexington Historical Commission

Date February, 1984

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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.)

With its two long, low, flat-roofed wings accentuated by horizontal bands of windows and with the smooth exterior surfaces, this house is a good example of the International Style. Part of a community of contemporary homes designed and developed by Walter Gropius' architectural firm, this house nonetheless owes more of its influence to Breur than to Gropius (according to designing architect Richard Morehouse) and is thus differentiated from most other houses in the neighborhood (see Moon Hill area form). There is, for example, no overhanging eave on this house in contrast to the others in the development.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.)

This house was designed by Richard S. Morehouse, an architect formerly a member of The Architects Collaborative (TAC), the firm that developed Moon Hill (see Moon Hill area form).

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES (name of publication, author, date and publisher)

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

Town
LEXINGTON

Property Address
6 MOON HILL RD

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

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HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

This house occupies Lot 29 of the "Plan of Lots in Lexington, Mass., owned by Six Moon Hill, Inc." dated June 23, 1947. In 1950 the house and land was sold to Fletcher and Joan Ashley. The property was sold by Joan Ashley to the present owners in 2004.

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

Middlesex County Register of Deeds, Cambridge, Mass.

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